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Research in Progress

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Henry Barnard (Massey University, Palmerston North, New Zealand) is doing research on the work of Victor Witter Turner.

Thomas Buckley (Univ. Mass, Harbor Campus) is doing research on A. L. Kroeber and the history of ethnography and linguistics in Northwest California.

Hiram Caton (Project on Biosocial Science, Griffith University, Brisbane, Australia) is researching a study on "The Defense of Margaret Mead's Samoa," which treats the reaction of American cultural anthropologists to Derek Freeman's critique of Mead's research.

Andrew Christenson (Center for Archaeological Investigations, Tucson) is gathering oral histories, still and motion pictures, correspondence, and other materials on the multidisciplinary Rainbow Bridge-Monument Valley Expedition, 1933-1938, in the course of writing a history of archeology in the Kayenta Anasazi region of northern Arizona and southern Utah.

P.A. Danaher (James Cook University, Queensland, Australia) is working on A. R. Radcliffe-Brown and Claude Levi-Strauss.

Emmanuel Drechsel (Anthropology, University of Oklahoma) is doing research on the impact of Wilhelm von Humboldt (1767-1835) on American Indian linguistics and anthropology in the twentieth century, especially in the work of Edward Sapir.

Jesse Green (English, Chicago State Univ.) continues his work on Frank Hamilton Cushing, which includes two volumes of correspondence and diaries published by the University of New Mexico Press (the first of which is appearing as Cushing in Zuni: 1879-1884), and a projected volume of papers based on the panel at the 1984 meeting of the American Ethnological Society and the Southwestern Anthropological Association.

Pieter Hovens (University of Nymegen) is working on a doctoral dissertation on the North American Indian studies of the Dutch anthropologist Herman ten Kate (1858-1931), and is editing a special issue of the Dutch journal Antropologische Verkenningen on the history of anthropology in the Netherlands.

K.A.R. Kennedy (Cornell University) is doing research on the history of physical anthropology in South Asia, with particular attention to the influence of the Asiatic Society of Bengal (in Calcutta), beginning in 1784.

Miriam Meijer (1438 Geranium St. N.W., Washington, D.C.) is doing research on the Dutch physical anthropologist, Petrus Camper (1722-1789).

Joyce Ogburn (University Libraries, Penn State University) is working on a Master's thesis at the Indiana University on

concepts of biological evolution in late nineteenth century American anthropologists, viewed from the perspective of their relationship to natural history rather than their social context.

Nancy Parezo (Arizona State Museum), is preparing an exhibit on the contributions of women to Southwestern anthropology and to anthropological theory, which will be accompanied by a conference (on March 14, 1986) entitled "Daughters of the Desert: 100 Years of Southwestern Anthropology."

Donald Tumasonis (Oslo, Norway) is doing research on the life and work of S.M. Shirokogoroff, and on other aspects of pre-revolutionary Russian ethnography.

Katherine Weinert (History, Stanford) is doing research for a doctoral dissertation on the emergence of kinship studies in American anthropology from 1850 to 1890, focussing on Lewis Henry Morgan, and on such later figures as James Dorsey and Alice Fletcher, with reference to the influence of late nineteenth century American concepts of family, marriage, and gender roles.

BIBLIOGRAPHICA ARCANA

I. Seeing the First Australians

Under this title Ian Donaldson and Tamsin Donaldson have edited a volume (Sydney: George Allen & Unwin, 1985) containing a number of items of interest to the history of anthropology: Bernard Smith, "The First European Depictions" (Cook's artists); D.J. Mulvaney, "The Darwinian PERSpective" (on A. W. Howitt and W. B. Spencer); T. Donaldson, "Hearing the First Australian" (on early language collecting); Isabel McBryde, "Thomas Dick's Photographic Vision" (ethnographic photography); and a number of other papers.

II. Recent Dissertations

(Ph. D. except where M.A. indicated)

Fagette, Paul H., Jr. "Digging for Dollars: The Impact of the New Deal on the Professionalization of American Archeology" (Univ. of California, Riverside, 1985).

Harvey, Joy D. "Races Specified, Evolution Transformed: The Social Context of Scientific Debates Originating in the Société d'Anthropologie de Paris, 1859-1902" (Harvard, 1983)

Weiss, Sheila. "Race Hygiene and the Rational Management of National Efficiency: Wilhelm Schallmayer and the Origins of German Eugenics, 1890-1920" (Johns Hopkins, 1983).

Zernel, John J. "John Wesley Powell: Science and Reform in a Positive Context" (Oregon State University, 1983).